

FW: Media lines: Coutts

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This just in – too late for today but may be helpful going forward.
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Hi,

Here are suggested media lines to respond to the Article 9 request to re-deploy resources in Alberta:

- As a result of the ongoing blockade near the Coutts land border crossing, the Acting Minister of Justice and Solicitor General of Alberta has declared an emergency as per the Police Service Agreement.
- Article 9.2 of the Police Service Agreements has been invoked to allocate additional resources to alleviate the extraordinary demand on the RCMP as the Provincial Police Service in Alberta, as a result of the ongoing blockade near the Coutts land border crossing.
- One of the benefits of the Police Service Agreements is that additional resources can be requested and temporarily deployed from across the country when there is an urgent and often unforeseen policing requirement such as the recent protest.
- The provisions of the Police Service Agreements provide surge capacity to meet extraordinary policing requirements that are beyond the normal day-to-day level of policing requirements.